## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS DIVISION OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. JOHN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)
	) Criminal No. 2024-8
	)
VS.	)
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PETER FRANCIS	)
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## REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING PLEA OF GUILTY

The defendant, by consent, appeared before me on July 12, 2024, pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, LRCr 1.2, and LRCi 72.3, and has entered a plea of guilty to Count One of the Indictment, a violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(C).

After cautioning and examining the defendant under oath concerning each of the subjects mentioned in Rule 11, I determined that the guilty plea was made knowingly and voluntarily, and that the offense charged was supported by an independent basis in fact containing each of the essential elements of such offense. I therefore recommend that the plea of guilty be accepted and that the defendant be adjudged guilty and have sentence imposed accordingly.

Dated: July 12, 2024

RUTH MILLER

United States Magistrate Judge

## NOTICE

Failure to file written objections to the Report and Recommendation within fourteen (14) days from the date of its service shall bar an aggrieved party from attacking such Report and Recommendation before the assigned United States District Judge, 28 U.S.C. Section 636(b)(1)(B), LRCi. 72.3, 72.4.